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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL TRAVEL

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1. WHILE SEOUL VISIT WILL BE OF MUCH SHORTER DURATION AND WILL INVOLVE FEWER MOVEMENTS, KOREAN GOVT IS ALSO KEENLY ANXIOUS TO HAVE PRELIMINARY DECISIONS MADE WITH RESPECT TO HOUSING OF PRESIDENTIAL PARTY AND SUITABILITY OF SITES FOR VARIOUS ACTIVITIES TO PERMIT AT LEAST PRELIMINARY PLANNING FOR EXTENSIVE SECURITY AND COMMUNICATIONS REQUIREMENTS. WE THEREFORE SECOND TOKYO'S REQUEST THAT AT LEAST ONE EXPERIENCED AND AUTHORITATIVE AGENT FROM WHITE HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS AGENCY AND SECRET SERVICE COME SEOUL BEFORE ARRIVAL OF MAIN ADVANCE PARTY.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE ETA SEOUL FOR MAIN PARTY. WILL SAME GROUP SERVICE BOTH SEOUL AND TOKYO?

3. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE ANSWERS WITH REGARD TO SEOUL VISIT TO QUESTIONS POSED PARA 3, REF B.
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